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House Resolution 1439

By: Representatives Floyd of the 147<sup>th</sup>, Black of the 174<sup>th</sup>, Royal of the 171<sup>st</sup>, Greene of the 149<sup>th</sup>, Keown of the 173<sup>rd</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale has served this state with distinction for 25
- 3 years as a member of the State Transportation Board; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale was elected to the board in 1988, and served as its chairman from
- 5 April, 1995 until April, 1996; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale was born on February 10, 1921, in Valdosta, Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, he graduated from Valdosta High School and went on to attend the University
- 8 of Georgia, 1938-40; Mercer University, 1940; Valdosta State College, 1940; the University
- 9 of Georgia, 1941; and the Naval War College, 1951; and
- 10 WHEREAS, he served his country honorably in the United States Marines from 1942 until
- 11 1950, receiving the Bronze Star in the Battle of Piva Forks, Bougainville, and retired as a
- 12 Lieutenant Colonel; and
- 13 WHEREAS, he is senior vice president of The Langdale Company, and has other affiliations
- 14 with Langdale Ford Company, Langdale Timber Company, and Langdale Forest Products
- Company; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale is a member of the Valdosta Country Club, the Elks Club, the
- 17 American Legion, Disabled American Veterans, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Masonic
- 18 Order, Knights Templar, Shriners, and the First Baptist Church in Valdosta, Georgia; and
- 19 WHEREAS, Mr. Langdale is widowed and has three wonderful children, William Pope
- 20 Langdale, Jr., Robert Harley Langdale, and Mary Jacquelyn Langdale Dickey.

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1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 2 the members of this body recognize Mr. William Pope "Billy" Langdale and commend him
- 3 for his long and valuable service to the State Transportation Board, his community, and the
- 4 state.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. William Pope "Billy"
- 7 Langdale.